## **COMMENT TO THE FCC REGARDING PROCEEDING 17-108:**

As both a concerned citizen, and as an innovator who contributed to many aspects of the internet's development, I believe that the elimination of Net Neutrality protections run counter to everything that was envisioned by the many pioneers who made today's internet possible, myself included. The internet owes its explosive growth to people who wished to create an invaluable resource for ALL PEOPLE. The idea that some greedy corporations should be allowed to pervert this resource by implementing pay-to-play gateways is the antithesis of how the internet was evolved. In its earliest, mostly modem-based, days – internet connections between backbone nodes was always free, and was only bandwidth-regulated based on the ability of a node to carry the load.

I implore you; please do not allow this travesty to proceed. Keep Net Neutrality protections in place.

Thank you for your time,

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